

member, for it expects a similar contribution next time. And the expectation is not in vain.

Last year was not the first time. Such contributions have been made before in national, state and municipal elections.

REWARD IS OFFERED.

CONTROL OF CORPORATIONS.

The officers responsible for the raid upon the treasury of corporations have received their reward in unflinching management of life insurance corporations. The public has been made aware of the fact that through trusts—condemned by both common and statute law; in refusal to furnish information to the officers of railroad and other corporations violating the law; and in statutory permission to manufacturing corporations to levy tribute on the people.

There can be no hope of checking the unlawful aggressions of officers of great corporations so long as they may thus turn a quarter of a century ago the nation's attention to the dominant political party.

For in the hour when the administrative official seeks to punish the offender he is reminded by the head of the organization of the magnitude of the contribution of the corporation.

NEARLY GRADUAL DOLLING OF THE PUBLIC CONSCIENCE.

There is, however, something worse, if possible, than the corruption of the public conscience. It is the gradual demoralization of the voters and the filling of the public mind with the idea that it is the duty of the public to make these vast sums of money procure the holders they were intended to procure, corruptly, and to use them for the purpose of securing the election of the party.

It is not my purpose to claim that the Democratic party, subjected to the temptation which has overcome the other party during the last few years, would have acted differently.

More than that, however, should not be sought from the disclosure made in this investigation, but the fact should be differently sought, that the people may be come so aroused that they will insist upon legislation making it a criminal offense for officers to participate in the election of the party for political purposes and depriving the apparently successful candidates of their offices.

REPUBLICAN REFUSE CONSENT TO ACTION BY LEGISLATURE.

Efforts in that direction have been making in the different States since November last, and particularly in this State.

But the Republican organization would not consent to it, so the Legislature declined the offer.

And the organization never will consent until an aroused public sentiment shall have forced the Legislature to take action upon the subject.

## NEGROES FIRE ON POSSE SENT TO ARREST LEADER OF TENNESSEE RACE RIOT

Constable's Order for Surrender Brings Bullet in Reply, Which Knocks His Hat Off—Pitched Battle Ensues, During Which Blacks at Germantown Barricade Themselves in House—Shooting Continues Till Ammunition of Whites Gives Out.

NEW POSSE IS FORMED, AND DEPARTS FOR SCENE IN DARK.

MEMPHIS, Tenn., Sept. 17.—The situation at Germantown, where the race riot took place yesterday afternoon, grows more serious by the hour. A posse of white men, armed with shotguns, rifles and pistols, went down this morning into the bottom in front of the Byrum, the negro house of the race riot where the difficulty occurred. He is said to have been one of the chief instigators of the riot yesterday. The posse surrounded the house and sent Constable J. J. Callahan up to the house to demand the negro's surrender.

Callahan called upon the negro to give himself up, guaranteeing that he would not be harmed and that all his legal rights would be respected. In reply, the negro opened fire upon the Constable, his bullet passing through the officer's hat.

Callahan immediately returned the fire, and the posse about the house poured in volley at the house. One of the bullets plowed a furrow across the negro's scalp, nearly knocking him down. He at once retreated inside the house, where he and his brother barricaded the door and refused to continue the fight.

They returned to Collierville, where a posse was dispatched to Sheriff Morley. He sent Deputy Ernest Miller to the scene with a small posse, but when they arrived it was so late they decided to wait until morning before venturing in after Byrum.

This decision did not please the white men in the vicinity of the trouble, however, and a neighborhood posse was quickly made up, armed and dispatched to the scene of the morning's trouble, leaving Collierville about 7 o'clock this evening. They have about five miles to go through a very rough bottom tract, and have not been heard from at this hour.

## MISSOURI VALLEY FLOODED BY UNPRECEDENTED RAINS

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ST. LOUIS TRAVELING MAN DROWNED IN SWOLLEN RIVER.

REPUBLICAN SPECIAL.

St. Louis, Mo., Sept. 17.—Fred Hoffmann of California, Mo., traveling salesman for the Lewis-McCormick Co., was drowned near Bellair, in this county, last night while attempting to ford the river, which is swollen by the excessive rains of the last forty-eight hours. Hoffmann was directly behind Hoffmann, and when the salesman's team was swept downstream by the rush of water, Hoffmann jumped in and attempted to rescue the man.

Hoffmann had, however, howled ever, and Hoffmann was unable to locate him. Hoffmann's team was swept downstream by the rush of water, and Hoffmann's body has not yet been found.

Hoffmann was about 50 years of age, and was a native of St. Louis. He had been in the city for some time, and was well known to the people here.

There have been heavy rains every day since the storm, and the river is at its highest stage in many years. Many farmers have lost their crops, and many houses have been washed away. The situation is very serious, and the people are suffering.

REPUBLICAN SPECIAL.

Carrollton, Mo., Sept. 17.—As a result of a terrific downpour of rain here Saturday afternoon and night, following the heavy rains of the previous days, all the lowlands in Carroll county are under water. The water is from three to five feet deep, and many families have been forced to leave their homes.

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REPUBLICAN SPECIAL.

Boonville, Mo., Sept. 17.—Within the last few days, the river has risen to its highest stage in many years. The water is from three to five feet deep, and many families have been forced to leave their homes.

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## KANSAS RAILROADS LOSE \$1,000,000 BY FLOODS.

REPUBLICAN SPECIAL.

Topeka, Kan., Sept. 17.—When all reports are in from Kansas it will be found that the railroads have sustained a loss of not less than \$1,000,000 by the recent heavy rains and floods.

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(Main Floor.)

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Specials in Art Needlework.

(Third Floor.)

Japanese Scrap Baskets, \$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.75 values, at \$1.25

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## BLISS MIGHT TELL OF BIG SLUSH FUND.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 17.—The House of Representatives today passed a bill to create a slush fund for the use of the House of Representatives. The bill was passed by a vote of 241 to 159.

The bill was introduced by Representative William C. Clegg of Ohio. It provides for the creation of a slush fund of \$1,000,000, to be used for the purpose of defraying the expenses of the House of Representatives.

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## UNABLE TO STATE WHETHER NEW YORK LIFE OFFICIALS WILL BE SUED FOR MONEY

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## MISSOURI BRIDGE OUT.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Sept. 17.—The bridge on the main line of the Missouri Pacific Railroad, one mile east of this place, was destroyed by the recent heavy rains and floods. The bridge was washed away, and the railroad is now closed.

## THE RIVER IS RISING RAPIDLY.

FORECASTER BOWIE ISSUES SPECIAL BULLETIN, SHOWING RAINFALL.

Edward H. Bowie, local forecaster of the Weather Bureau, issued a special river bulletin today, showing the stage, change and amount of rainfall in the last twenty-four hours. He predicts that the river will continue to rise rapidly.

## ROCHESTER PRINTERS TO EXTEND STRIKE TO-DAY.

ROCHESTER, N. Y., Sept. 17.—Compositors in eight book and job printing establishments quit work Saturday night to enforce their demand for an eight-hour day. It is estimated that 150 men in this city have gone out, and as many more are expected to join them tomorrow.

## WASHINGTON HEARS NORWAY WILL AGREE TO SETTLEMENT.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 17.—Reliable information received by the Department of State today from Paris that in a few days Sweden and Norway are expected to reach an amicable agreement and adjust their differences in a peaceable way. The consideration and disposition of details has caused delay.

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